

October 8, 2023

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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hopers and Lovers. We are One Family in Baptism and the Holy Spirit, nourished with the Word of God and the Body and Blood of Christ. All are Welcome in this place!

Cycles of Faith – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus' parables are much stranger than most people realize. This week is an attention-getting example. He tells the religious leaders a parable about a completely absurd situation. Blood-thirsty and insane tenants violently abuse and kill the servants of their landlord. Inexplicably, the owner keeps sending them more victims of increasing value — up to and including his own son. Weird.

Usually, we hear this parable and assume it's an allegory: Jesus is the murdered son, the servants the prophets, etc. Fair enough. But notice — and here is where the weirdness deepens — Jesus seems to *disagree* with the Pharisees' interpretation that the landowner should and will punish the inheritance-obsessed murderers. So, is Jesus praising the psychotic and greedy murderers?! You can imagine the furrowed brows and deriding laughter as the scoffing crowd shuffles away.

If we stay with this tough parable, perhaps this truth emerges: God wants us to have an over-the-top obsession with a *totally undeserved inheritance*. Of course, we are forbidden to use violence. But the parable's violence gets our attention because it highlights the crazy goodness of the landowner. Jesus reveals that God is not merely in the business of rewarding the good and punishing the bad. He is playing a much stranger game — one marked by a kind of over-the-top mercy, a breathtaking giving of what is *not* deserved. What would our week look like if we embraced this kind of desire for God's kingdom on earth, even if others think we're nuts? This week let's seek God's kingdom with a passionate confidence in God's desire to give the good things we don't deserve.

— *Father John Muir*

Offertory Last Week: \$1,094.00

Maintenance: \$543.00 Hinesburg Food Shelf: \$85.00

Online Banking: \$160.00

Second Collection This Week for Fuel

Second Collection Next Week for the Priest Benefit Fund

Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m. 39 9:30 a.m. 72

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday October 7 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the soul of Joe Genest requested by Donna Mead.

Sunday October 8

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the repose of the soul of Anne Pidgeon requested by her mother, Irene Pierce.

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the souls of Victoria and Arthur Matte requested by Marsha Casey.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Monday October 9 (SJ) 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday October 10 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday October 11 (OLMC) 8:30 a.m.

Thursday October 12 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Friday October 13 8:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the soul of Emmanuel Nadeau requested by Marie Cookson.

Saturday October 14 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the soul of David Bullock requested by the K of C #7525.

Sunday October 15

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Archbishop Christopher Coyne and his intentions.

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the souls of Mary and Robert O'Brien requested by John and Cathy O'Brien.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sanctuary Candle: The Sanctuary Candle this week is in memory of Clyde Cross requested by Lee and Joanne Cross.

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

- 10/08 Sunday Fellowship Coffee & Donut Event at 10:30 a.m.
- 10/08 Blessing of the Animals at 3:00 p.m.
- 10/10 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.
- 10/12 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Please pray for all priests in your daily prayers, especially the following this week:

Sunday:	Rev. James Zuccaro
Monday:	Rev. Fidelis Agughara
Tuesday:	Rev. Julian Asucan
Wednesday:	Rev. Michael Augustinowitz
Thursday:	Rev. Luke Austin
Friday:	Rev. Dwight Baker
Saturday:	Rev. Justin Baker

Schedule for Counters for October 9, 2023

Nicole Cookson
Theresa Aube
Marie Cookson

Schedules for October 14 and 15, 2023

<u>Greeters:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Dawn Griswold
	9:30 a.m.	Tom Giroux
<u>Lector:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Mike Bullock
	9:30 a.m.	Tom Giroux
<u>EM:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Theresa Aube Dcn. Patrick Leduc Tim Clancy
	9:30 a.m.	Tom Buzzell Dcn. Patrick Leduc Stephanie Buzzell

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession: There will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession on **Tuesday, October 10** following the 5:15 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Sunday Fellowship Coffee and Donut Event: Beginning **October 8** Coffee and Donuts will be offered following the 9:30 a.m. Mass (except on Faith Formation Sundays). Five couples—families, have volunteered to provide this chance for Fellowship again. A big “Thank You” to Michelle Bessette for organizing this event. Please plan on stopping in after the 9:30 a.m. Masses for food, drinks, and fellowship.

Precious Blood Weekend: Beginning next weekend, **October 14 and 15**, the Precious Blood will be offered at mass once a month. No one should feel obligated to receive from the cup.

October is Respect Life Month: October is Respect Life Month. We are holding a Diaper Drive. We are looking for Diapers, sizes 5-7, and gift cards from Walmart, Once Upon a Child, Gas Cards, Food Cards and Amazon Cards. Please leave diapers in the box in the lobby and put gift cards in the collection basket. Thank you.

RCIA: Are you curious about what Catholics believe? Wednesday Night Live! is a kick-off session for our Exploring Catholicism series (RCIA), designed for anyone who's curious about Catholicism or considering becoming Catholic. Join us on **October 4 at 5:30 PM** to meet other converts, hear of many paths which have brought people to the decision to become Catholic, and get first-hand information on what being Catholic is all about. We'll even provide pizza! We'd love to meet you at **St John Vianney Roman Catholic Church ~ 160 Hinesburg Rd, South Burlington, VT 05403 ~ Learn more and register at stjohnvianney.org/becoming-catholic.** ***You can also receive RCIA Instruction through FORMED on-line. If you are interested in learning more about the faith, please contact Fr. Zuccaro.



Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures:
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone...?
Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away
from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.”

— Mt 21:42ab, 43
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Blessing of the Animals: There will be a Blessing of the Animals on **Sunday, October 8 at 3:00 p.m. in the St. Jude Parking Lot**. Bring your pets to be blessed in honor of the Feast of St. Francis on October 4. Please have your pet either in a carrier or on a leash. **Rain Date will be Monday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m.** Thank you.

Autumn Raking: Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 4 at 9:00 a.m.** for the annual raking of the cemetery and parish grounds at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com or at 425-2637 so we know who to contact in the event of bad weather. Inclement weather date will be November 11. Please bring rakes, tarps, and leaf blowers if available.

Senior Bingo: All Seniors (60+) and care companions (any age) are invited to a relaxed and fun morning of free bingo in the St. Jude Parish hall on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. The next bingo is **Tuesday, October 10**. Prizes are provided by St. Jude's. Complementary snacks, hot coffee, tea and bottled water are available all morning. The mask requirement has been lifted. However, we continue our safer seating arrangement, and please wear a mask if you are more comfortable doing so. If you are a newcomer, to reserve a Grab and Go packaged full meal** contact Ted and Kathy Barrett at 802-453-3087 (leave a message) or email tedbarrett79@gmail.com by the Wednesday before the following bingo day.
**Please note: Meals are provided by Age Well, for a suggested donation of \$5.00 per meal now that pandemic funding has ended. We hope to see you soon.

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***Did you know you can use Formed for at home on-line RCIA instruction? If you are interested in learning more about the faith, please contact Fr. Zuccaro.

Archbishop Coyne: Thank you to Archbishop Coyne for his years of service to our Diocese. Please pray for him as he goes to his new assignment in the Archdiocese of Hartford and please pray for the appointment of a new bishop of our Diocese.

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for the Diocese of Burlington who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. All are encouraged to pray this prayer during the interregnum.

Men's "Cor" Formation: Men's "Cor" Formation will begin on **October 21**. Calling all men to fellowship, prayer and a deeper faith! You are invited to participate in COR Formation. "Cor" is Latin for Heart. Through fraternity, prayer, and the study of God's word in Scripture and holy examples, we intend to grow closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. COR Formation will be held the third Saturday of each month beginning on **October 21 at 10:00 a.m. at St. John Vianney Church basement**. Coffee and refreshments provided by the K of C. All men from all parishes are welcome.

St. John Henry Cardinal Newman: You are cordially invited to a celebration in honor of Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman on **Sunday, October 8, at Holy Family Church Hall in Essex Junction, from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.** The evening will include Solemn Vespers, dinner and dessert, and two lectures on the life and thought of Cardinal Newman, featuring a visiting professor, as well as Fr. Henry Furman of the Diocese of Burlington. \$15 per person/\$25 for two/\$10 for each additional guest. For more information or to RSVP by October 2nd: VermontNewman@gmail.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: There will be a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on **October 20-22 at St. Monica/St. Michael School in Barre, VT**. This is an opportunity to explore your relationship with each other, God, and the Church. All married couples, priests, and religious are invited. This is a non-residential event, so attendees can go home at night and return in the morning. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more info or to apply, contact Gary and Lynn Root at 802-456-8114 or at <https://wwwmevtw.org>.

Women's Retreat: The Diocesan Women's Retreat has been scheduled for **October 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall in Williston**. Keynote speaker is Sr. Mary Dreger, FSE. The theme of the retreat is "The Eucharistic Life: Bread of Life & Bread for Others". Registration fee is \$30, lunch included. To register go to <https://vermontcatholic.org/event/annual-fall-vermont-catholic-womens-retreat-2023/>

Back From the Dead: *Back from the Dead Cemetery Walk* is a candlelit guided evangelization drama through Resurrection Park. A guide will lead groups through a portion of Resurrection Park cemetery while encountering actors playing the roles of various saints and martyrs. Along your walk you will meet such saints as St. Cecilia, St. Edith Stein and Blessed Miguel Pro who come alive to tell their stories. All are welcome! We invite those interested to join us on **Saturday, October 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Vianney Parish Hall in South Burlington**. Refreshments will be available. For more information contact Valerie Parzyck at vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org.

2023 Bishop's Appeal: The Bishop's Annual Appeal has begun. To learn more about this Appeal or to make a gift online visit: bishopsappealvt.org. We are at 91% (\$21,466) of our parish goal of \$23,502. The appeal supports so many ministries that help our parish, including emergency aid to households in financial crisis, religious education training, vocations, Catholic schools and so much more. Please help us reach our goal.

Catholics in Recovery: Catholics in Recovery is a group that welcomes all Catholics who are interested in recovery from addiction and deepening their relationship with Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. For more info, please visit www.catholicinrecovery.com.

Public Rosary Service: The World Apostolate of Fatima-Vermont Blue Army will be praying an outdoor Rosary at **St. John Vianney Parish in South Burlington on Saturday, October 14 at noon**. This event is being held throughout the country on this date and time on the anniversary weekend of Our Lady's final visit at Fatima (the Miracle of the Sun on October 13, 1917). Please mark your calendar and bring a lawn chair and join in praying this public Rosary near the front entrance of the Church facing Hinesburg Road. All are invited and encouraged to attend to unite our prayers for our country and the whole world! This event will be held rain or shine.

Spanish Mass: St. Peter's Church in Vergennes in partnership with the Catholic Migrant Ministry of Addison County will host monthly Spanish Masses. The next Mass will be **October 12 at 7:00 p.m.** with Fr. Timothy Danaher at St. Peter's Church, 85 So. Maple Street, Vergennes with a delicious meal to follow. All are welcome!!

Let's Play Bingo: The St. John Vianney Knights of Columbus have restarted a monthly bingo at the St. John Vianney Parish Center on Hinesburg Road in So. Burlington. The bingo is held on the third Thursday of each month with a chance of winning a \$1000 jackpot. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. and the first game begins at 6:30 p.m. Come join the fun with friends and family. Bring a non-perishable food item(s) and receive two free game sheets for the winner take all game. All food items are donated to the local Food Shelf.

Catholic Variety Show: Back by popular demand, The Challengers for the Catholic Faith presents: The Catholic Variety Show on **Friday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the McCarthy Arts Center at St. Michael's College**. A family-friendly evening of performances by our own Diocesan Priests – from Juggling to Comedy to Mozart. This event is a benefit show for our Seminarians. Last year they sold out so get your tickets early at VTChallengers.org.



"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."